Acting teachers of Vernacular Schools.

230. *MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether acting teachers of Vernacular Schools, who were first appointed before 1100 and who were acting during 1104, were disbanded on the ground that they had no acting service during the period 1100-1103 ;

(*b*) whether the G. O., restricting appointment to those only who had acted between Chingom 1100 and Meenam 1103, has now been cancelled ;

(*c*) whether the acting teachers referred to in part (*a*) have submitted memorials to Government and the Director of Public Instruction urging that their claims should receive special consideration, and, if so, what action was taken by Government thereon ;

(*d*) whether the Government are aware that there are among them persons who have passed the Vernacular Higher Examination and also Training Examination ; and

(*e*) whether the Government have got a list of such acting teachers showing also their qualification and date of first appointment ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes ; they have also been declared eligible for inclusion in the new list to be prepared.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No.

Establishment of a Kerala University.

231. *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any representation was made to the Dewan by means of a deputation regarding the establishment of a Kerala University ;

(*b*) the reply given by the Dewan in the matter ; and

(*c*) whether they have considered the question ?

RAO SAHIB DR. M. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) and (*c*) Government have recently informed the deputationists that conditions are not favourable for this Government to take the initiative in the matter, and that it will be advantageous that the Kerala University Committee first ascertains the views of the Madras and Cochin Governments who are also interested in the question.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : With regard to answer to parts (*b*) and (*c*), may I know from the Government the conditions that are not favourable for the Government taking the initiative in the matter ?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The establishment of a Kerla University will involve a heavy outlay of capital and in the view of this Government, this is not the most opportune time to move the other Governments for launching a scheme of such magnitude. Probably the non-official committee may be able to press upon the attention of the other Governments the necessity for a Kerala University. But as far as this Government is concerned, this is not the best time for taking up the question.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know whether Government have considered the financial aspect of the question ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : Some idea, I think, is given in the report of the committee appointed by Government some years ago.

MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Urban*) : Have Government passed final orders on the Travancore University Committee's report ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : No, Sir.

MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Urban*) : I wish to ask some more questions, Sir.

PRESIDENT : Do you want this question also to stand over for tomorrow ?

MR. T.K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Urban*) : Yes, Sir.

PRESIDENT : It will be taken up first tomorrow. In the meantime, the Chief Secretary will come fully prepared to answer any questions that may be put to him.

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